



Application No. 09/586,530

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of

Ni et al.

Application No. 09/586,530

Filed: May 31, 2000

For: ETCH ENDPOINT DETECTION

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Applicants submit this paper in response to the Office Action dated March 28, 2001. A response to this Office Action was due on June 28, 2001. Accordingly, Applicants are concurrently submitting a request for a one-month extension of the period for response. Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Amended) A method for determining an endpoint for etching a layer, comprising steps of:



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Sir:

Applicant hereby transmits a Response to Office Action in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	SMALL ENTITY RATE FEE	OR	LARGE ENTITY RATE FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	15 -	20	00	X09 = \$	OR	X18 = \$
INDEP CLAIMS	02 -	03	00	X40 = \$	OR	X80 = \$

[] Multiple Dependent Claim Present
and Fee Not Previously Paid

\$135

\$270

TOTAL

\$

\$0



Applicant hereby petitions for a 1-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action.
Applicant hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P282).
If the required fees are missing or any additional fees are required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, please charge such fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. LAM2P282). A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,
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